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FOREWORD

This bibliography presents chronological data on casualties of war and military statistics. Arrangement is in two parts. Part one deals with casualties as a result of war for conflicts dating from the French Wars of 1614 through the Vietnam War concluded in 1975. There is little agreement on how to collect casualty data due to the problems of reporting methods, lack of consensus, or purpose for which accumulated particularly when different countries are involved.

Military casualties are those losses which incapacitate an individual from performing normal duties and are caused by death, wounds, capture, discharge, desertion, illness, accident, suicide, murder, execution, among others, as they occur on or in support of the field of battle.

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<u>Source</u>	<u>Total</u>
CBS News Almanac, 1977	53,402
DuPuy - Encyclopedia of Military History, R1977	50,585
Encyclopedia, Americana, 1976	77,889

Part two of this list is on the distinct subject of military statistics. Emphasis is on artillery. The field can be approached from the standpoint of ordnance developments as covered by books such as the Field Artillery Statistics study issued by the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command at the Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD., in 1972, by a comparison of collective weapons as they appear in the Jane's Weapon Systems, or as considered in field or technical manuals issued by the United States Army. It can also be viewed from the standpoint of how materiel is used in the test or battlefield condition. One's approach is the latter, i.e., the development and use of artillery tubes as reflected by the expenditure of ammunition and/or costs in the combat environment. Several of the entries suggest a reaching-out in an attempt at separating usable data from casualty statistics or are from very generalized sources.

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"It is colder now,
There are many stars,
We are drifting

North by the Great Bear,
The leaves are falling...
Long since we passed the flares of Orion.
Each man believes in his heart he will die.
Many have written last thoughts and last letters.
None know if our deaths are now or forever:
None know if this wandering earth will be found....

(We have thought often
The flaws of sun in the late and driving weather
Pointed to one tree but it was not so).
As for the nights I warn you the nights are dangerous.:
The wind changes at night and the dreams come.

It is very cold,
Voices are crying an unknown name in the sky."

From "Epistle to be Left in the Earth," MacLeish

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